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In absence Foreign Minister in Istanbul I took up reference telegram yesterday afternoon with Secretary General Yolga who appeared expect some such approach and reviewed Turkish position as follows:

Turkish-Cuban representation had been through Cuban Ambassador resident Cairo and Turkish Ambassador resident Mexico City. Some time ago Government Cuba dismissed its Ambassador in Cairo, instructed Charge resident Beirut to seek accreditation Ankara and toward that end Charge endeavored present credentials. In fact he had actually come here for that purpose. However, even at that time Cuban situation felt that GOT did not wish receive Cuban representative.

And by same token present Turkish Ambassador Mexico City has not presented credentials Havana. Result is that what we now suggesting already done as matter of considered policy some months ago in form of de facto non-recognition and difficult see what could now be done directly with Cubans in form of action or admonition which would not compromise existing void in relations. However, GOT agrees on strong measures to bring Castro to heel and prepared give us full support in UN or any other appropriate way.

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